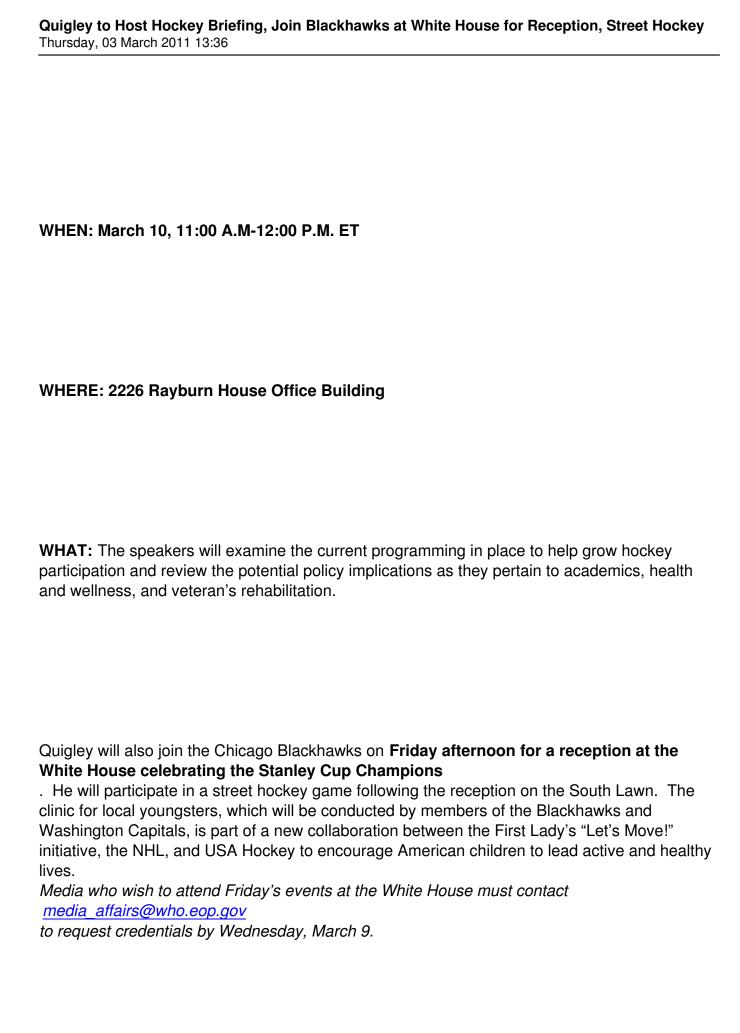
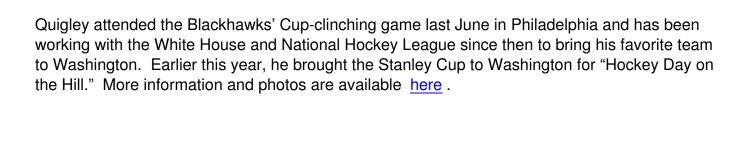
WASHINGTON, D.C. – On Thursday, March 10, U.S. Representative Mike Quigley (IL-05) and the Congressional Hockey Caucus will host a briefing to discuss the state of hockey in America and highlight the link between active, healthy children and educational achievement.
WHO: Congressman Mike Quigley, Caucus Co-Chair
Congressman Lee Terry (NE-3), Caucus Co-Chair
Congressman Brian Higgins (NY-27), Caucus Co-Chair
Dave Ogrean, Executive Director of USA Hockey
Pat LaFontaine, Hockey Hall of Famer
Michael Kanters, Professor at North Carolina State University
SGT First Class (Ret) Joe Bowser, USA Hockey Wounded Warriors
Kirk Bauer, President of Disabled Sports USA





Last month, Quigley <u>teamed up with the Chicago Blackhawks Street Team</u> to help kickoff the floor hockey program at the Neighborhood Boys and Girls Club in Chicago.

About the Congressional Hockey Caucus

The Caucus, co-chaired by Rep. Mike Quigley (D-IL), Rep. Lee Terry (R-NE), and Rep. Brian Higgins (D-NY), recognizes the profound effect that ice hockey has on the development of children in our country. Many communities struggle to deal with issues related to education and youth violence. The Caucus recognizes that developmental youth hockey leagues offer a positive and meaningful outlet for children and young teens to learn, compete, and grow.

The Congressional Hockey Caucus is a bipartisan group of Members of Congress dedicated to advocating for the expansion of hockey programs in America, with special attention to programs for disadvantaged and disabled youth who might not otherwise be able to participate in the

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The Caucus concerns itself with the issues of childhood obesity by encouraging youth to exercise regularly, and emphasizing the positive role that ice hockey can have in a child's development by instilling the values of discipline, hard work and commitment. Recreational ice hockey programs also provide a therapeutic experience to assist our wounded warriors in developing self-confidence, rehabilitation, and self-reliance.